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## Overnight closures at Byrne start April 28

**CHICAGO** – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced today that as part of the ongoing Jane Byrne Interchange reconstruction, overnight lane closures, accompanied by 15-minute full expressway traffic stops, are scheduled for the Kennedy and Dan Ryan expressways (Interstate 90/94) beginning, weather permitting, Thursday, April 28.

The closures are necessary to install steel support beams for a new Adams Street bridge over the expressway, anticipated to open in December.

To complete the work, motorists should expect various overnight lane closures in both directions of the expressway, near Harrison and Madison streets. The closures will take place from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sundays through Thursdays and from 10 p.m. Saturdays to 10 a.m. Sundays, with full stops of all lanes for no longer than 15 minutes at a time beginning at 1 a.m. The following ramps will also be closed during that time: the outbound Eisenhower Expressway (Interstate 290) ramp to the outbound Kennedy, Taylor Street entrance ramp, Madison Street and Washington Street exit ramps.

The overnight closures are expected to continue through, weather permitting, early May.

Motorists should expect significant delays and allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

The overall reconstruction project at the Jane Byrne Interchange will improve safety and traffic flow for the more than 400,000 motorists who use it each day, while also enhancing mobility for bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users in the surrounding neighborhoods.

For more information, visit <a href="www.janebyrneinterchange.org">www.janebyrneinterchange.org</a>. The mobile-friendly website features a detailed project timeline with an interactive map, photo galleries, a live camera feed of the work zone, and the ability to submit questions and comments to the project team via a "Contact Us" link.

The improved Jane Byrne Interchange will be substantially completed by the end of this year.

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